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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicants:

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Title:

SUSTAINED RELEASE PREPARATIONS COMPOSED OF BIOCOMPATIBLE

COMPLEX MICROPARTICLES

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Examiner:

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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## SIR:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement of June 15, 2007.

The Examiner requires that claims of the either the claims of Group I, claims 1-36, or the claims of Group II, claims 37-47 be elected for prosecution.

Applicants elect the claims of Group I, claims 1-36, drawn to a particle comprising a complex formed by a bioactive agent and a complexing agent, provided that the bioactive agent is other than a polynucleotide and an oligonucleotide. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants elect the following species for initial examination:

- a) bioactive agent - growth factor - PDGF (platelet-derived growth factor)
- complexing agent dextran b)
- matrix biodegradable polymer c)

The following elected claims are believed to be readable on the elected species: 1-36.

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The Examiner is invited to phone applicants' attorney if it is believed that a telephonic or personal interview would expedite prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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